GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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DEVELOPMENT OF BABATPUR AIRPORT
BALIRAM

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to develop the Babatpur airport at Varanasi in Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, the funds allocated for this purpose; and

(c) by when the runway of the airport is likely to be expanded?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK)

(a):-Airports Authority of India (AAI) has plan to developBabatpur Airport at Varanasi in the State of Uttar Pradeshb y way of construction of a New Terminal Building to handle 500 Domestic and 300 International passengers at a time and extending the runway up to 9000 feet for operation of wide bodied aircraft.

(b):- Funds allocated for the above purposes is 2.5 crore in Revised Estimates 2002-2003, and Rs.12 crore in Budget Estimates 2003-2004.

(c) For extension of runway, diversion of Babatpur - Mongari Road is to be completed first by the State Government. Afterdiversion of the Road, extension work will be completed in a period of two years.